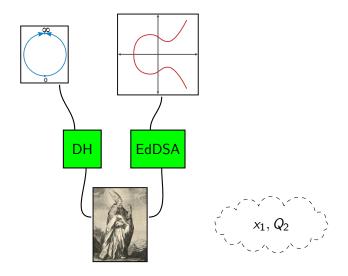
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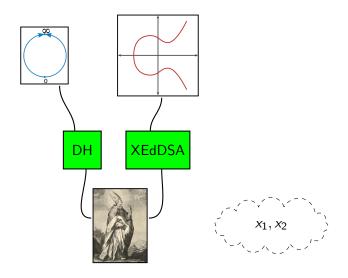
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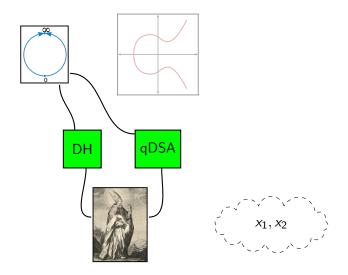
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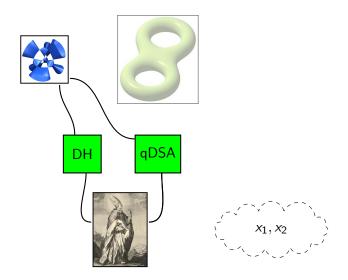
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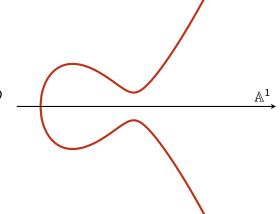




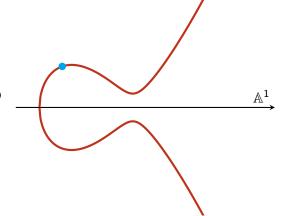




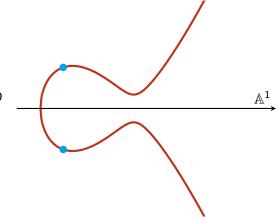
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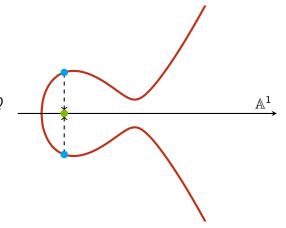
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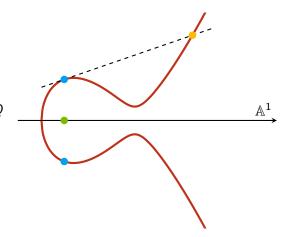
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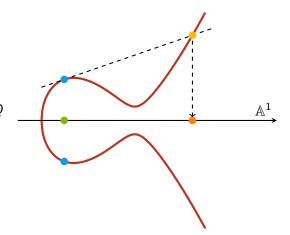
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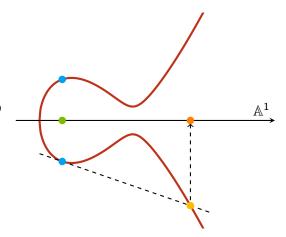
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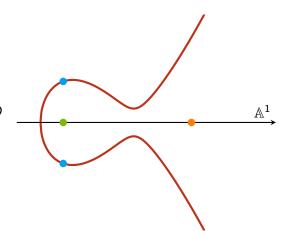


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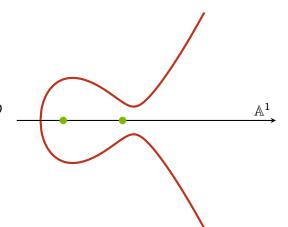


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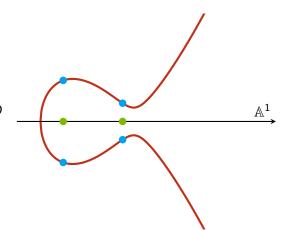


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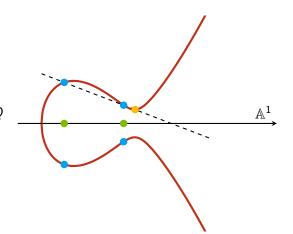


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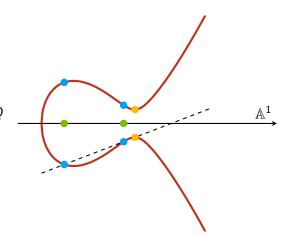


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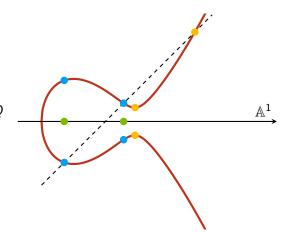


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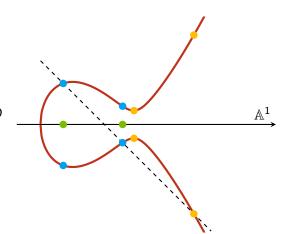
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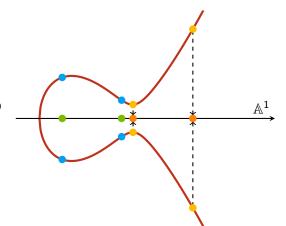


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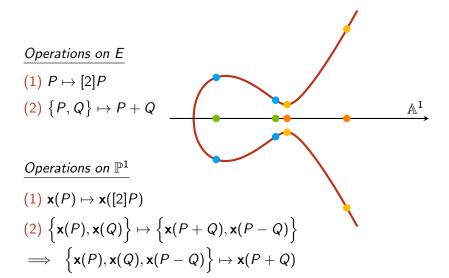
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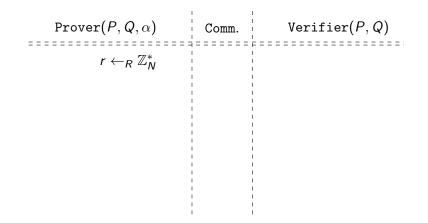
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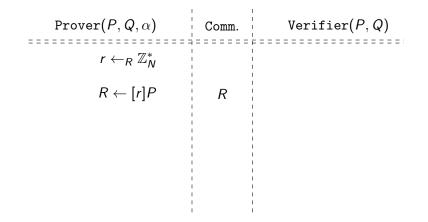
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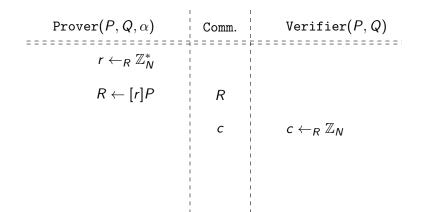
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|   |                  | $c \leftarrow_R \mathbb{Z}_N$ |
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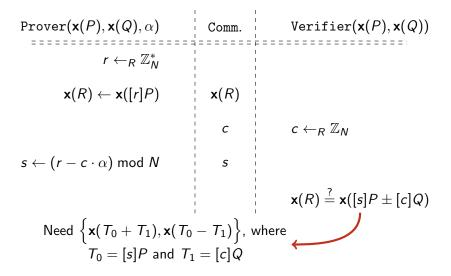
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# Cost of computing biquadratic forms

| g | Func.  | М     | S     | С     |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 | Check  | 8     | 3     | 1     |
|   | Ladder | 1 280 | 1 024 | 256   |
| 2 | Check  | 76    | 8     | 88    |
|   | Ladder | 1799  | 3 072 | 3 072 |

Table: Cost of  $B_{IJ}$ 

| g. | Ref.     | Object.          | Function. | CC.  | Stack.  |
|----|----------|------------------|-----------|------|---------|
|    | This     | Curve25519       | sign      | 14 M | 512 B   |
| 1  | [NLD15]  | Ed25519          | sign      | 19 M | 1 473 B |
|    | [Liu+17] | $Four\mathbb{Q}$ | sign      | 5 M  | 1572B   |

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|----|----------|------------------|-----------|------|---------|
|    | This     | Curve25519       | verify    | 25 M | 644 B   |
| 1  | [NLD15]  | Ed25519          | verify    | 31 M | 1 226 B |
|    | [Liu+17] | $Four\mathbb{Q}$ | verify    | 11 M | 4 957 B |

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|----|--------------|---------------|-----------|------|--------|
| 2  | This         | Gaudry-Schost | sign      | 10 M | 417 B  |
|    | $[Ren{+}16]$ | Gaudry-Schost | sign      | 10 M | 926 B  |

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|----|--------------|---------------|-----------|------|--------|
| 2  | This         | Gaudry-Schost | verify    | 20 M | 609 B  |
|    | $[Ren{+}16]$ | Gaudry-Schost | verify    | 16 M | 992 B  |

Thanks for your attention!

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